

REMARKS

Applicant thanks the Examiner for the detailed remarks and analysis. Moreover, Applicant requests reconsideration of the rejections for the following reasons. Claim 10 has been amended as suggested by the Examiner and do not include new matter nor new issues not previously before the Examiner and therefor entry and reconsideration are requested.

Priority

In accordance with 35 U.S.C. §119(e) and 35 U.S.C. §120, the Applicants have submitted an amendment containing a specific reference to the prior filed applications in the section above entitled "In the Specification".

Claim Rejections – 35 USC §103

Claims 10, 12, 13 and 15-18 are not obvious over the combination of Hariu et al. (U.S. 6,070,949) in view of Feigel et al. (U.S. 6,193,328) as the proposed combination cannot disclose nor suggest the features of the claims. Claim 10 requires that the wherein the master brake cylinder, the supply tank, the travel sensor, and the inlet and outlet valves are disposed within a single housing to form an independently manageable, operable front-wheel brake unit mountable to the motorcycle.

These features are not disclosed by the cited prior art. Instead both Hariu and Feigel disclose system with separate discrete devices separately supported and mounted in different housings. For at least this reason, the claims are allowable over the prior art combination and favorable reconsideration is requested.

CONCLUSION

Accordingly, Applicant believes that the claims as amended overcome the raised objections and rejections and are in a condition for allowance.

Applicant believes that no additional fees are necessary; however, the Commissioner is authorized to charge to Deposit Account No. 50-1482, in the name of Carlson, Gaskey & Olds, P.C., for any additional fees or credit any overpayment

Respectfully Submitted,

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